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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK

APPLICANT : FREDERICK F. BUECHEL ET AL.

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: NEW JERSEY MENISCAL BEARING KNEE REPLACEMENT

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EXAMINER: C. CROWDER

## AMENDMENT

HON. COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS & TRADEMARKS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

This is in response to the Office Action of September 29, 1980 the period for responding to which has been extended for one month to now expire on January 29, 1981.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Rewrite claim 1 as claim 1 (amended) as follows:

1. (amended) An improved prosthetic joint of the type including:

- (a) tibial platform means having a first superior bearing surface, the tibial platform means for replacing tibial portions of a knee;
- b) bearing insert means having a first inferior bearing surface which slidably engages the first superior bearing surface of the tibial platform means for sliding movement relative thereto during joint articulation, the bearing insert

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